



## **H.Con.Res. 117 – Commemorating the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the settlement of Jamestown**

### **Floor Situation**

H.Con.Res. 117 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Jo Ann Davis (R-VA) on April 18, 2007. The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform approved the resolution by voice vote on May 1, 2007.

H.Con.Res. 117 is expected to be considered on the floor on May 8, 2007.

### **Summary**

H.Con.Res. 117 resolves, with the House of Representatives and Senate concurring, that Congress commemorates the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the colony Jamestown in 1607 and urges all Americans to honor this seminal event in our Nation's history.

### **Background**

Founded in 1407, Jamestown, Virginia was the first permanent English colony in America and was the capitol of Virginia for 92 years. The political, economic, religious, and social institutions that developed at Jamestown played a significant role in the early development of American government and culture. These influences continue to be visible today.

The Jamestown 400<sup>th</sup> Commemoration Commission worked diligently to ensure a suitable national observance of the Jamestown anniversary.

### **Cost**

CBO has not scored this legislation.

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